

State Fire Marshal

- Assists fire and law enforcement agencies with determining the cause and origin of fires.
- Provides hazardous material mitigation support and technical assistance to local fire departments.
- Certifies Reduced Ignition Propensity Cigarettes sold in Indiana.



Code Enforcement and Plan Review

- Reviews class 1 (all non single/double family residences) building construction plans.
- Performs inspections for elevators, escalators, amusement rides, boilers, pressure vessels and class 1 buildings to ensure compliance with Indiana fire and life safety building codes.
- In addition, each year, hundreds of fireworks permits are issued, and each location is inspected at least once for compliance with fire safety codes.



Certification

- IDHS also manages certifications for EMS personnel, firefighters, as well as Emergency Management, Search and Rescue and blaster certifications.



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Planning



Responsible for implementing the Indiana Strategy for Homeland Security by partnering with local, state and federal stakeholders, by:

- Developing statewide strategic, operational and tactical plans for handling emergencies.
- Assisting local entities through planning and grants assistance.
- Maintaining Homeland Security Foundation.
- Managing federal grant funding awarded to Indiana for the advancement of homeland security initiatives.



Emergency and Disaster Response

- Since 1954, Indiana has experienced 38 federally declared disasters and seven federal emergencies, all of which have involved weather-related incidents.
- State-of-the-art Emergency Operations Center continues to provide a communication hub for sharing information and effectively orchestrating resource logistics when a disaster overwhelms local emergency management resources or capabilities.



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Training and Exercise

IDHS helps prepare Indiana communities for all incidents by offering training and exercise opportunities to state and local public safety officials. Areas addressed include:

- Emergency Management
 - Firefighting
 - Emergency Medical Services
 - Search and Rescue
 - Radiological Emergency Preparedness Program
 - Radiological Transportation Program
 - Terrorism/Weapons of Mass Destruction
 - Community Emergency Response Team
- Exercises validate training, emergency plans and procedures to reveal strengths and weaknesses, demonstrate operational capabilities and prepare personnel for real world events.



Grants

Since 2005, IDHS has administered almost \$750 million in federal grants, including more than:

- \$210 million in federal funding for first responders, managed through a web-based grant management system recognized as a best practice.
- \$536 million in federal mitigation and disaster relief funds, including public and individual assistance grants, small business administration loans and hazard mitigation grants.
- In 2013, Indiana will be awarded more than \$10 million in federal preparedness and emergency response funding, 54 percent of which was passed on to local communities.



Field Services

- Provides expertise to local public safety officials.
- Assists county emergency management agencies with planning, training, exercise and response operations.
- Fosters communication of disaster information gathered from a network of local, state and federal agencies.
- Promotes district initiatives and provides field coordination for EMS and hazmat programs.



Recovery/Mitigation

Hazard mitigation programs provide financial and technical assistance to local governments, certain not-for-profit organizations, individuals and families.

- Individual Assistance: disaster recovery grants for home repair, rental assistance and personal property loss or damaged during a disaster.
- Public Assistance: supplemental federal disaster grant assistance for the repair, replacement, or restoration of disaster-damaged, publicly owned facilities and certain private non-profit organizations.
- Hazard Mitigation: provides grants to communities for activities which permanently reduce or eliminate the risk from a natural hazard. This may include acquisition of flood prone homes, purchase of weather alert radios, public education, etc.

